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## CARLOS GARCIA TAKES US BACK TO SCHOOL

Las Vegas builds more schools than any other metro area in the country. This year alone we will open 14 new schools and welcome over 280,606,000 students. With schools and our education system as the focus of the September meeting, we are pleased to welcome Carlos Garcia, Superintendent of Clark County School District as our special guest speaker.

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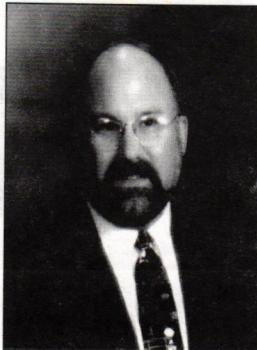
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**AIA**

Las Vegas Forum

A Monthly Publication of the Las Vegas Chapter of the American Institute of Architects



## AIA LAS VEGAS PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Lendall Mains, AIA



This month AIA will have a joint meeting with CEFPI, an allied organization that's relationship with AIA is important to our future. CEFPI is one of many organizations that have a symbiotic relationship with AIA.

Many AIA associate and allied members belong to other organizations that are their primary affiliation. These members as well as their primary organizations bring tremendous value to the table such as education, networking, use of common resources, and municipal affiliations.

Organizations such as AIA are one piece of the construction and business community. Professional organizations and their alliances with each other are just as important as any project team that has ever been put together. Through these alliances and sponsorships great things happen, such as, the Main Street program, the U.S. Green Building Council, and the development of the National CAD Standard. This only names a few of the programs and organizations that have sprung from the collaboration of organizations with AIA.

Interface is important, and cosponsoring programs and events together benefits the community as well as all members of participating organizations.

Short sightedness in affiliating with other organizations causes a vacuum of knowledge and experience. AIA must focus on reaching beyond our own boundaries to the engineering, construction, interiors, real estate and standards communities. When construction industry organizations comes together, differences must be set aside, so that our unified voice may be heard clearly.



## BRIEFS

Congratulations to **Valerie L. Bugni, ASA, Assoc. AIA with Lucchesi, Galati Architects**, for being named 2004 Outstanding Master of Arts Graduate Student by the Department of Sociology at UNLV.

**Swisher & Hall, AIA** has added **Dwayne Eshenbaugh** to their staff recently, Congratulations.

**Worthgroup** once again made the Zweig Letter Hot Firm 2004 list which acknowledges the 100 fastest growing firms.

**Ninyo & Moore** has added a list of 8 new people to their staff, Michael Baca, Mike Bhabbs, Tom Mathes, Steve Pemberton, Harry Petersen, Amber Reid, Andrew Stuart and Erik Wilson.

**R & O Construction** has added another Home Depot project to their list of may others, this one located in Fort Collins, Colorado.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We are pleased to welcome these new members and re-joining members to AIA Las Vegas.

### Architect:

John Cernusca, AIA  
Clark County School District  
Timothy Grattan, AIA  
Dekker, Perich, Holmes, Sabatini  
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### Associate:

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Southern Nevada Concrete & Aggregates Association



## AIA NEVADA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Jim Mickey, AIA

Somewhere between consuming myself in preparing presentation drawings and my 9:00 PM final peruse of the days e-mail, I have recognized that Architecture is

one hell of a tormented monster. One head of this Steven King beast screams for artistic freedom: the strong tendons of its body trembling with the stimulating shudder of artistic expression, known only as the "Award Winning Design". The other side of the monster, however, wears its hair like it's on the cover of GQ and spends most of its time in the office trying to pen the ultimate change order rejection letter and put a final number to that thing called "keeping the lights on."

So maybe it's not that melodramatic, however, it is an accurate assessment. No matter where you draw the section line, you unavoidably find that Architecture is essentially entrenched in duality: not just in art, not just in business. Architecture is always the balancing act of each. Half the monster is driven by the invigorating charge of creative exploration and technological improvement; the other half by the rigid regulations of time, liability, and, most of all, the all mighty dollar. True Architecture, then, is the significant junction between these often-opposed worlds that truly create a variety of economic factors that impact Architecture.

At first this may not appear acceptable. However, we are actually rather blessed that this dichotomy exists as it functions like a built-in system of checks-and-balances. The never-ending exchange of ideas between Art and Business sustains a persistent process of evolution not only of the profession as a collective whole, but of ourselves as architects, businessmen and designers. And it is only here that Architecture establishes a sense of purpose, a clear definition and absolute fulfillment.

Architecture as duality acts from the heart of our profession. Its convulsion reverberates into everything we are and do as professionals. In some form or another, this pattern is a powerful framework for understanding the changing natures of the various responsibilities we as a service profession are held accountable for throughout the life of our careers. This paradigm also offers valuable insight as to how we may strategize ourselves, our work and our profession against the complex issues of tomorrow.

So Mr. Architect, tomorrow will your mind be filled penning the next award winning design or are you penning the change order rejection letter?

## AIA LV & NV LEADERSHIP FOR 2005

The ballots are in, and all have been counted...the election is over and there are no hanging chads! Just a newly elected Board of Directors for 2005. Here's the final line-up:

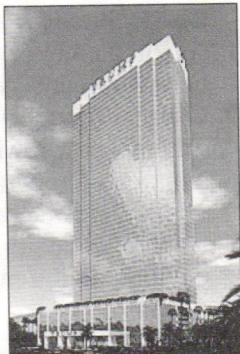
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## 2005 AIA NEVADA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

President:	Dale Scheideman, AIA
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## NEW TRUMP HOTEL ON LAS VEGAS STRIP WILL BE CLAD WITH 24K GOLD GLASS

Donald Trump recently unveiled plans for a new \$300 million, 64-story hotel/apartment tower on the Las Vegas Strip. Designed by the local firm of Bergman, Walls & Associates Ltd., the 645-foot-tall building will be clad in 24K gold glass with white EIFS accents. It will also be Las Vegas's tallest building. The 1.6 million-square-foot structure will consist of more than 1,000 hotel-style units ranging from 636 square feet to 1,057 square feet in size. However, some units can be combined to form 1,693-square-foot suites. Although the units will be sold, owners can lease space on a time-share basis through Trump's management company. Located at Las Vegas Boulevard South and Fashion Show Drive, the new tower will also include 50 apartments ranging from 3,000 square feet to 10,000 square feet in size, with such amenities as restaurants and a spa-salon. "Trump International Hotel and Tower Las Vegas" is expected to break ground during the first quarter of 2005, with construction finishing 18 months later.



# 2004 MEETINGS AND EVENTS

## BACK TO SCHOOL - SEPTEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Get your books and pencils ready. Carlos Garcia, Superintendent of Clark County School District will take us back to school in September.

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### CARLOS GARCIA

has served as superintendent of the Clark County School District, Las Vegas, Nevada, since July 2000. Prior to coming to Las Vegas, Mr. Garcia's experience was centered in California where he taught in the Rowland Unified School District in La Puente and the Chaffey Joint Union High School District in Ontario.

Mr. Garcia is known for being a student advocate who truly believes that his job is to work for kids. He has been a K-12 educator for 28 years and has a reputation of being a catalyst for change. Wherever he has worked, he has always instituted major changes that have resulted in increased student achievement. He serves on numerous boards and foundations and is aggressively sought after as a speaker and for his innovative ideas on change, theory and education.

He recently divided the Clark County School District into five regions and implemented the A+ in Action plan to address achievement, access, and accountability. As the superintendent of the Clark County School District, he oversees the sixth largest and fastest growing district in the country. The district averages a growth of 12,000 students annually and opens a new school a month.

Carlos thrives in this environment and sees his position as the most exciting superintendency in the country



## AIA LV FALL PUTTING TOURNAMENT

Don't forget to get your team signed-up for the annual Fall Putting Tournament. Angel Park - 6PM on Friday, September 10th.

Great Food, Refreshing Beverages.... Wonderful Prizes.....Good Friends and a Lot of FUN!.

This is a terrific way to spend a nice autumn evening. Use the sign-up sheet included in this newsletter and we'll see you there.



## GRAND PRIZE AT PRODUCT SHOW ARCHITECTURAL TOUR OF ITALY

That's right! We're giving away a 10 day Architectural Tour of Old World Italy as the grand prize at this year's AIA LV Product Show.

Provided by Jacobs Consulting, Inc. and valued at over \$3,000.00, this fabulous trip includes transportation, first-class hotel, meals, expert guides and all portage and service charges.

Arranged through Duncan Travel Services the tour includes Florence, Lucca, Pisa, Venice, Siena, San Gimignano, Rome, Vatican City, Colosseum, Roman Forum, Palatine, Trevi Fountain, Tuscany, Montecatini and Chianti.

Winner's name will be chosen from the sign-in sheets at the exhibitor booths, **so the only way to be eligible to WIN is to attend the Product Show and visit each of the exhibitors and sign-in at each booth.**

## \$3,000 IN CASH PRIZES, TOO

In addition to the fabulous trip to Italy, the Chapter will also be awarding \$3,000 in CASH to some lucky attendees.

The Cash Awards in the amounts of \$250.00, and \$500 will be given away between 3PM and 8PM, by random selection from the names of those who have signed-in at the exhibitors booths. You must be present to win!

The Grand Prize of \$1,000.00 will be given away to the holder of the "LUCKY NUMBER". Each attendee will receive a "Lucky Number" (watch for yours in the mail) and if it matches the number posted on one of the Exhibitor Booths, you'll win \$1,000.00.

In addition, one of the lucky exhibitors will win \$500.00 by random drawing.

## ATTEND THE AIA LV PRODUCT SHOW ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5TH

Where else can you learn about the latest and greatest advances in technology, products and services specifically for your profession.....enjoy fabulous complimentary food and drinks.....win extraordinary prizes AND mix and mingle with your friends and associates from all over the Las Vegas design and architecture community!

Mark the date -- Tuesday, October 5th -- and the place -- Riviera Grand Ballroom.....and be there. Bring all your friends and associates and be eligible for even more prizes.

Watch the mail for your Lucky Number. You could be the one to win \$1,000.00 CASH.....AND, BE OFF TO ITALY FOR A GRAND ARCHITECTURAL TOUR!

# 2004 MEETINGS AND EVENTS

## "EXPAND YOUR MIND 5X" SEMINARS PROVIDE 5 AIA CE & 5 HSW CREDITS!

Here's your chance to get the jump on those AIA CE credits AND those valuable and elusive HSW's.

The "Expand Your Mind 5X" Seminars being offered on Tuesday, October 5th as a part of the AIA Product Show will provide 5 AIA CE and 5 HSW Credits all in one day. Beginning at 8:00AM the seminars are one hour each and include both the continental breakfast, and buffet lunch. Registration fee is \$30.00 whether you take one seminar or all five. Use the form included in this newsletter to register. Following are the opportunities to expand are being offered.

**# 1 - 8:30 to 9:30AM - Segmental Retaining Wall Systems (SRW)**, presented by Daryl Gorenflo, CSI, CDT, Rinker Materials.- SRW is the fastest growing segment of the concrete masonry industry. Ancient technology, supported by modern materials and design methodology creates the most economical and attractive method of retaining soil, solving difficult site issues while adding curb appeal.

**# 2 - 9:45 to 10:45AM - "Acoustics, Isolation and Architectural Integration"**, presented by Charles Roe of Acoustic Systems, Inc. - covering sound isolation, speech privacy, mechanical systems / noise, room acoustics, design, construction techniques and budget.

**# 3 - 11:00 to Noon - "Engineering Solutions to Architectural Fabric Structures"**, presented by John Morelli of Jacobs Consulting, Inc.(JBI dba S2). Attendees will learn about fabric structures, design parameters and overall concepts of their structural design and engineering restrictions.

**Lunch - Noon to 12:45PM**

**# 4 - 12:45 to 1:45PM - "Concrete Concepts for Sustainable Environments"**, presented by Rich Warren of the SN Concrete & Aggregates Association - covering what's new in cement and concrete, life cycle tools and sustainable concepts using concrete products.

**# 5 - 2:00 to 3:00PM - "What's Unique About Green Building in Las Vegas?",** presented by USGBC Las Vegas Regional Chapter, covering what's happening that's "green" in Las Vegas and why it is different than green building in other cities.

**The AIA LV Product Show opens at 3:00PM,** featuring 120 Exhibitors and the latest in advances in technology, products and services..... free food and drinks..... and fabulous prizes! (see previous column)

### Extra Chances to WIN!

Seminar attendees will also receive an extra "Lucky Number", giving them an extra chance to match the lucky booth number at the product show and win \$1,000.00.

## ENTER YOUR PROJECT IN THE AIA NEVADA EXCELLENCE IN DESIGN AWARDS PROGRAM

If you have not already done so.....get on the ball and get your projects entered for the 2004 AIA Nevada Excellence in Design Awards. You can go to [aianevada.org](http://aianevada.org) (or [aialasvegas.org](http://aialasvegas.org)) and download the registration forms and instructions and enter as many projects as you like.

► Remember, the call for entries closes on September 10th,

► Submittal binders and boards due to the AIA Northern Nevada office on Friday, October 1st.

► Submittals will be juried on Friday, October 15th and the award recipients will be announced at the AIA Nevada Excellence in Design and Distinguished Service Awards Banquet on Saturday, October 16th at the Atlantis Hotel in Reno, Nevada.

Tickets for the banquet will be available through the AIA Northern Nevada office (775-827-6600) (and online at [aiann.org](http://aiann.org), [aianevada.org](http://aianevada.org) and [aialasvegas.org](http://aialasvegas.org)). The tickets are \$70.00 each and should be purchased in advance.

## AIA NEVADA DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM

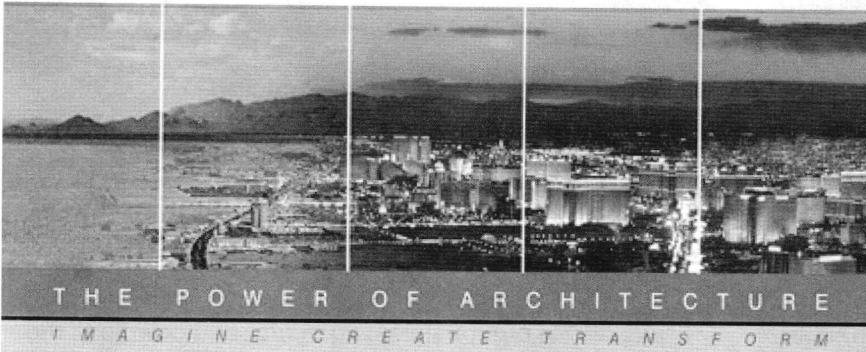
Nominations have been made in all seven categories - The AIA Nevada Silver Medal; the Architecture Firm Award; the Service Award; the AIA Nevada Patron Award; the Young Architect Citation; the Associate Member Award and the Allied Member Award.

Submittal binders were due to the AIA Las Vegas office by noon on Friday, August 20th and were juried on August 27th. Award recipients will be notified by September 3rd and will be honored at the AIA Nevada Excellence in Design and Distinguished Service Awards banquet being held on Saturday, October 23rd at the Atlantis Hotel in Reno, Nevada.

Tickets for the banquet are \$70.00 each and should be purchased in advance through the AIA Northern Nevada office (775- 827-6600).

## THROUGH OTHER EYES WESTERN MOUNTAIN REGION CONFERENCE

The 2004 WMR/AIA Conference "Through Other Eyes" will be held October 21-23 at the Salt Palace in Salt Lake City, with accommodations available at the Downtown Marriott Hotel. The conference will feature tours, an opening reception with a presentation by Mayor Rocky Anderson, a Young Architects Forum event, a host chapter party, and the WMR Regional Design Awards banquet. Make your plans to attend now.



# L\*2005 Las Vegas

AIA Las Vegas Host Chapter  
AIA 2005 National Convention and Expo  
Mandalay Bay Convention Center  
May 19-21, 2005

## MOVING STEADILY TOWARD MAY 19, 2005

Randy Lavigne, Convention Manager

The momentum is building and we are moving steadily forward toward the 2005 Convention. The countdown clock keeps clicking away the days, hours, seconds.....Committee chairs are reporting good, consistent progress in all host chapter areas.

Due to the extraordinarily high interest in Las Vegas and the expectation of a record attendance, AIA National is working toward opening the online convention registration early -- possibly in October or November, rather than in January.

All AIA Nevada members, who have paid their assessment fee in 2003 or 2004, will receive FREE Registration to the convention, which will include all the General Sessions, Keynote Speakers, C.E. Programs and Lectures.

When the online registration opens [aia.org](http://aia.org), AIA NV members will be able to go online and find their advance registration record. They can then select the programs and lectures they want to attend and add them to their registration record. (Please keep in mind that the host chapter events - tours, dining by design and host chapter party, etc. are additional and you'll need to pay for these.)

The hotel room blocks at Mandalay Bay, THEhotel, Luxor and Excalibur will also open early. So, if you need a room or have friends and associates who will be attending from other cities, watch for the notice and let them know.

Remember, as a member of AIA Las Vegas, you are an official ambassador for the city and the Chapter. We are depending on each of you to help in hosting the convention. Once again, here are some things you can do right now!

- ▶ Learn all you can and commit to memory all the remarkable facts about Las Vegas. You may be called on to tell visitors about it.
- ▶ Promote Host Chapter Sponsorships to all your clients, consultants, vendors, manufacturers and friends.
- ▶ Call Kelle Heming, Volunteers Chair, and get on the list to help out at convention time. You'll have a great time and help the Chapter too!

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# L\*2005 Las Vegas

ONLY 260 DAYS UNTIL CONVENTION

## LIVING VERTICALLY

Dr. Robert A. Fielden, A. D., NCARB, FAIA



Have you seen all of the new high-rise condominiums popping up along the skyline; there are more new ones underway - and from what I understand, there's a lot more on the drawing boards for the future. With all of the units that have been built recently, I wonder if anyone lives in them; I mean do they live there year around as residents of the valley - do they live here and work here, or are they owned by the hotels and corporations as timeshares, or by investment groups capitalizing on the recent housing boom in Las Vegas. Do you think they're second homes or third homes for weekend getaways.

If there are listeners out there who live year-around in one of these new towers, would you contact KNPR. Org. I'd like to know where you shop for groceries, go for a haircut, a burger or a taco; where do you walk your pet, push your children or grandchildren in their carriage, ride your bike or store your stuff. If you live in one of those full glass units facing south or west, what is your power bill?

Believe me, these are not good models to follow in the Mohave Desert if you live here year-around. Even if you only stay a week, during the summer, it's got to be a killer in terms of the solar gain. And, when the sun blasts you out during the day, where do you go until nightfall, there are certainly no parks nearby to take the kids? My point is, if we're going to create an urban lifestyle for this valley we have to realize what it requires to provide for one, especially if we want to create a high-quality urban lifestyle acceptable to middle-class working families.

There are a number of successful community models to follow. Portland, Oregon is one, Vancouver, British Columbia is another; Seattle and Denver are evolving into good urban models; but my favorite is Honolulu, because I've lived there and shared in living in an urban setting with middle-class families with children - in a 30-story tower. It's not a bad lifestyle when there are a multitude of parks close-by, a convenience store in the building, a grocery store, pharmacy, dry cleaners, barber and beauty salon - and at least 10 good restaurants within a five-minute walk. Housing in Honolulu is near schools and churches and outdoor spaces set aside where you can have your own garden. My bus stop was across the street, and the bus system was just as efficient as driving, so no one in Honolulu has any need for more than one automobile per family. Even though I don't play golf, the golf course was less than a ten-minute walk, and the zoo and the aquarium was maybe 15 minutes away. And, to top it off, most all of the neighborhood businesses are mom and pop businesses that really care about their customers. It's one of those settings that's filled with Professor Ray Oldenburg's "Great Good Places".

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Are we doing anything like that here in the Las Vegas Valley? Absolutely not! Have we even thought about it? Until recently, I doubt it. What is being constructed all around us has absolutely nothing to do with community - it's about money. If we're ever going to have community, we have to think about the people who live here - first - and what we need to make Nevada home.

## PART OF WORLD TRADE CENTER IN DEDICATION OF NEW FIRE STATION

On the third anniversary of one of the worst tragedies to occur in the United States, the city of Las Vegas will dedicate a new fire station and unveil a permanent display that holds a part of the World Trade Center. The dedication of Fire Station 5 and remembrance of those who were lost on September 11, 2001, in the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and the fields of Pennsylvania, will include members of the Las Vegas City Council and other dignitaries. The ceremony will take place at 9 a.m. on Saturday, September 11. Fire station 5 is located at the intersection of Hinson Drive and West Charleston Boulevard. A section of a beam from the World Trade Center will be on permanent display in front of the station, as well as other historic pieces unique to the Las Vegas Fire and Rescue Department.

## CALL FOR ENTRIES Seventh ANNUAL CANSTRUCTION® COMPETITION

OCTOBER 8 – OCTOBER 11, 2004

Under "The Cloud" at The Fashion Show Mall

Area architects, designers and engineers will create works of food art that will be on display at the Fashion Show Mall. The structures will be on display for one week, then disassembled and the food donated to Clark County's Community Food Bank.

COMMUNITY FOOD BANK is a private not-for-profit organization dedicated to fighting hunger and the underlying causes of hunger by delivering food to soup kitchens, food pantries, low-income senior centers and homeless shelters.

**WHO MAY ENTER:** Any Clark County area architectural, engineering and/or design firms or local students of design may enter. Offices may join forces or form a joint venture.

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Mailed upon registration or call Maggie Allred at 436-7272.

### IMPORTANT DATES

**AUGUST 31** Entry deadline. Submit completed copy of entry form with entry fee (see back page).

**OCTOBER 7** Build-out 6:00 p.m. – The Fashion Show Mall, Las Vegas Blvd.

**OCTOBER 8 - 11** CANSTRUCTION® on public display.

**OCTOBER 8** 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. – Awards Gala

**OCTOBER 11** CANSTRUCTIONS® deconstructed by Community Food Bank

*Co-sponsored by Society of Design Administration, American Institute of Architects and The Fashion Show Mall*



Canyon Springs High School

TATE SNYDER KIMSEY ARCHITECTS

***Congratulations to the Clark County  
School District and our fellow  
architects for the successful completion  
of 14 new schools for our community***





AIA Las Vegas

## *Don't forget to RSVP for the SEPTEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING*

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### *Special Joint Meeting with CEFPI and SMPS*

*And a special welcome to Art and Drafting Instructors  
from Clark County High Schools*

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>  
GOLD COAST HOTEL – 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR  
RECEPTION 5:30PM, DINNER - 6:30PM  
PROGRAM - 7:15PM**

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AIA LAS VEGAS CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY

# "Expand Your Mind 5X"

!!!One Day = 5 CE Credits that qualify as HSW's!!!

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2004

Riviera Hotel Meeting Rooms & Grand Ballroom

Attend all five seminars and receive 5 AIA C.E. Credits which also happen to qualify for 5 HSW's  
(wouldn't it be nice to get your credits and not have to worry about it for the rest of the year?)

Then, at 3:00 PM, attend the AIA LV Product Show .... with 120 Exhibitors, Cash Prizes, Food and Drink

## 8:00 AM JOIN US FOR A CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

### Seminar #1 = 8:30am – 9:30 am

#### "Segmental Retaining Wall Systems"

Presented by : Daryl Gorenflo, CSI, CDT, of Rinker Materials

Description: This program will cover National Concrete Masonry Association Methodology, Design Software, Product Applications, Product Selection and an explanation of Reinforced Earth Systems.

### 12:00-12:45pm Lunch

### Seminar #4 = 12:45pm – 1:45pm

#### "Concrete Concepts for Sustainable Environments"

Presented by : Rich Warren of the SN Concrete & Aggregates Association

Description: This program will cover what's new in cement and concrete, Life Cycle tools and Sustainable concepts using concrete products.

### Seminar #2 = 9:45am – 10:45 am

#### "Acoustics, Isolation and Architectural Integration"

Presented by : Charles Roe of Acoustic Systems, Inc.

Description: This program will cover sound isolation, speech privacy, Mechanical Systems / Noise, Room Acoustics, Design, Construction Techniques and Budget.

### Seminar #5 = 2:00pm - 3:00pm

#### "What's Unique About Green Building in Las Vegas?"

Presented by : USGBC Las Vegas Regional Chapter

Description: This program will cover what is happening that's "green" in Las Vegas and why it is different than green building in other cities.

### Seminar #3 = 11:00am – 12:00pm

#### "Engineering Solutions to Architectural Fabric Structures"

Presented by : John Morelli of Jacobs Consulting, Inc.

Description: This program will cover Fabric Structures, Design Parameters and an overall concept of the structural design and engineering restrictions.

## 3:00-8:00pm AIA LV Product Show

**YOU MUST PRE-REGISTER TO ATTEND THE SEMINARS**

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Date: Friday, September 10, 2004

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Location: Angel Park Golf Club Putting Course

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Players:

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5:00a	<b>Morning Edition</b> <small>News reports by Ky Plesion air between 5 &amp; 9 am at either :53 or :51 past the hour. Mon: Nevada Yesterday every other week- 5:33 &amp; 7:33 a.m. Tues: Desert Bloom- 5:33 &amp; 7:33 am Wed: Along the Way- 5:33 &amp; 7:33 am Thurs: John Curta- 5:33 &amp; 7:33 am, David Figer- 5:33 &amp; 7:33 am Fri: Local commentary- 5:33 &amp; 7:33 am</small>	<b>Weekend Edition</b> <small>Local commentary- 6:35 a.m. Desert Bloom- 8:34 am Comments of John Curta- 9:35 am</small>	<b>Weekend Edition</b> <small>Nevada Yesterday, twice a month- 8:35 a.m. Along the Way with David Figer- 8:34 am Comments of David Figer- 9:35 am</small>	<b>Classical with John Clare</b> <b>7-11 am</b> <i>NPR News at 6:01 am, 7:01 am and 8:01 am</i> — <b>Julie Amacher</b> <b>11 am to 3 pm</b> — <b>Maggie Winn-Jones</b> <b>3-7 pm</b> <i>NPR News at 4:01 pm and 5:01 pm</i>		<b>NPR's Sunday Baroque</b>	<b>5:00a</b> <b>6:00a</b> <b>7:00a</b> <b>8:00a</b> <b>9:00a</b> <b>10:00a</b> <b>11:00a</b> <b>12:00p</b> <b>1:00p</b> <b>2:00p</b> <b>3:00p</b> <b>3:30p</b> <b>4:00p</b> <b>4:30p</b> <b>5:00p</b> <b>5:30p</b> <b>6:00p</b> <b>6:30p</b> <b>7:00p</b> <b>8:00p</b> <b>9:00p</b> <b>10:00p</b> <b>11:00p</b>
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## McGRAW-HILL CONSTRUCTION OUTLOOK 2004 MIDYEAR UPDATE ON-DEMAND WEBCAST

Get a glimpse of what is projected for the rest of the year and a peek into 2005.

Robert Murray, vice president of economic affairs for McGraw-Hill Construction, will present the update to the 2004 Construction Outlook that will help you fine-tune your planning for the remainder of the year and a peek into 2005.

The discussion will cover the near-term prospects for a broad range of project types, including single family housing, income properties, institutional building, public works, and electric utilities. The Construction Outlook has been a mainstay of business planning for construction and manufacturing industry professionals for over 65 years.

Segments includes:

- U.S. Construction Market Indicators and Sectors
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- Single Family Housing
- Income Properties
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## AIA Las Vegas CAREER CENTER

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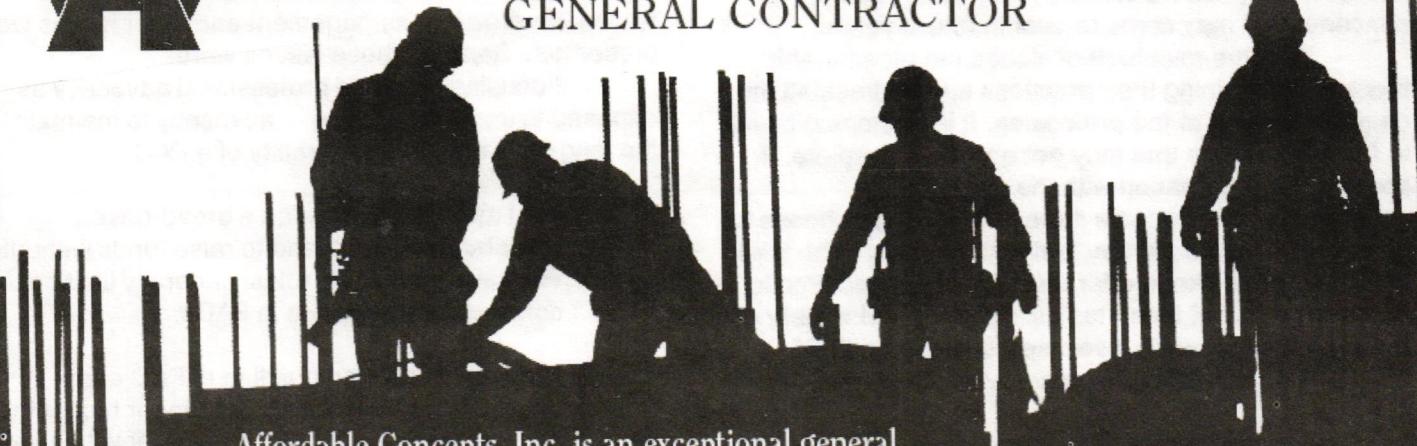
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July 30-31, 2004 State  
Government Network  
Meeting, Denver, CO



One of the important services provided by the AIA is the establishment of forums that allow Architects and AIA Components to share information and to facilitate coordinated and educated approaches to addressing issues facing the profession today. The AIA State Government Network (AIA SGN) was formed to serve this purpose. Twice per year, representatives from every state component are invited to participate in a meeting where critical issues facing the profession are discussed and the experiences and approaches from each state are offered to assist in formulating successful approaches to addressing these issues. AIA National holds such high regard for this forum that they provide funding to each state to send representatives to these meetings. The AIA SGN has been very active in addressing issues of Interior Design Practice/Title Acts, Lobbying/Advocacy, Issue Briefs relative to AIA Grassroots, Self-Certification for Permitting, and other core AIA issues.

I have had the honor as serving AIA Nevada's SGN representative for almost two years. In this role, I feel it has been of primary importance to report to the AIA Nevada membership on the issues discussed in this forum so that members can be aware of the issues facing our fellow state components, how they are addressing them, and how this may serve Nevada in addressing issues we currently face and preparing for concerns that may come to bear in future years.

With the multitude of issues the membership faces in maintaining their practices and addressing the daily challenges of the profession, it is at times difficult to focus on issues that may not appear immediate. I present this information with the goal that the membership may become more informed and choose to contact AIA Nevada if they feel action needs to be taken or if they would like to offer their expertise and time in addressing any of these topics. Below is a summary of the subjects that were discussed at the July 30-31, 2004 AIA SGN meeting for your review and input.

#### 1. Development of Government Advocacy Plan for States Components

AIA SGN is taking on an ambitious program in order to provide more information to State Components and to help serve government advocacy programs. In the past, there has not been a wealth of available information to the states, and much of this information was anecdotal. AIA SGN intends to prepare for electronic dissemination information such as better summaries of state licensing laws, state procurement guidelines for A/E services, state statute of repose

summaries, QBS support materials, better AIA Issue Briefs, position statements for Reverse Auction Bidding, model OP-ED's and issue advocacy advertising for states to place as needed in local newspapers, examples of model legislation for states to use in advocacy efforts and empirical data for lobbying and advocacy efforts. AIA Nevada asked for particular quantifiable data that establishes the A/E impact on state economies, and our role as a catalyst for significant economic activity that follows our services, which is also in part contingent on our services. AIA SGN's timeline for much of these activities is between a month and a year to produce, so I expect to see material delivered that will assist AIA Nevada in government advocacy activities in the coming legislative year. Ron Faucheux, Vice-President of AIA Government Advocacy, has been charged with leading this effort, and brings a great deal of experience, energy and knowledge to the program.

#### 2. Effective Lobbying and Advocacy Methodology

Much discussion occurred regarding the establishment and promotion of Political Action Committees (PAC) on the state and local level. The AIA National PAC, ArchiPAC, has not been significantly financially supported by the AIA membership and admittedly does not exert influence in the same league as medical professionals, attorneys, engineers or even physical therapists. State PAC's appear to generally suffer the same fate. Florida, Texas, Mississippi, Oregon and New York presented their experience with maintaining active PAC's, with yearly fundraising ranging from \$1,500 to \$200,000. A wealth of information on strategy, general campaign finance issues, fundraising, management and other issues were presented. Some of these issues were:

Focusing on broad professional advocacy as opposed to immediate issue advocacy to maintain the long-term impact and viability of a PAC.

Best methods to develop a broad-based contributor network and to raise funds without violating fundraising rules, generally limiting corporate participation in PACs.

Notions of coalition building in PAC and advocacy support issues, to appear bigger than just one organization and to partner with aligned organizations on specific issues to exert greater influence.

#### 3. Development Guidelines – How to Streamline the Process

AIA Denver composed a panel discussion that presented how they approached the City of Denver's development process to encourage development, reduce process delays, promote consistency and improve efficiency. Denver's issues were much the same as

many other cities and counties, with issues such as disconnects between plans examiners and field inspectors, lengthy processes to challenge questionable code interpretations, an ineffective inspection appeals process, unclear and inconsistently interpreted development guidelines/codes, submittal and review processes not aligned with the design process and a host of other issues. AIA Denver's approach to addressing this issue was to partner with the City, which had just elected a new Mayor with an entrepreneurial approach to government services, to make development in Denver as attractive as possible by simplifying the process. AIA Denver appears to have made progress in this on-going effort and many of their strategies could be of value to AIA Nevada to improve our local municipality's development processes.

#### 4. Building Codes Update

It was a pleasure to hear that AIA National's efforts to promote the I-Codes as the national code standard has been proceeding effectively. A few challenges occurred in the adoption of I-Codes across the nation, with California and Arizona considering or adopting the NFPA 5000. Arizona (Phoenix, specifically) changed their position and has since adopted the I-Codes, and California is building political capital to challenge the NFPA 5000 and expects to do so in the coming year. Nationally, a Federal Lawsuit has been filed by ICC against NFPA for copyright infringement as the two codes have some common language. AIA National also reported that ANSI 730/731 is being considered for security standards/codes in some jurisdictions, and a new edition of ADAAG regulations are being reviewed (available from [www.aia.org](http://www.aia.org)) that will further clarify these regulations. An effective date of September 21, 2004 was stated at the AIA website, but this is not confirmed or verified.

#### 5. Health and Community Design

The National Conference for State Legislatures (NCSL) presented the growing public health crises relative to obesity. The presentation was sobering, with a map that displayed that over the past 10 years, using the same standard for obesity, most state populations have increased in percentage of obese citizens from 5%-10% to 20%-25%. Much of NCSL's presentation to AIA SGN was to promote the idea of Active Living Communities that promoted live/work/play/learn integrated environments that support pedestrian lifestyles. Much effort is being put into research and promotion on this topic, and some resources to review include [www.activelivingleadership.com](http://www.activelivingleadership.com), [www.ncsl.org](http://www.ncsl.org) (reports available on public health, active living, smart growth and transit impacts) and [www.activelivingbydesign.org](http://www.activelivingbydesign.org).

#### 6. AIASGN Open Discussion

A very active discussion occurred at the AIA SGN meeting wrap-up that poses a series of questions to the AIA Nevada membership. Your input and involvement in these issues is critical to AIA Nevada's ability to advocate on your behalf and to represent the membership effectively.

What is the priority of Government Advocacy to the AIA Nevada membership? How do we best achieve success in this area if it is a priority? Should we be sending AIA Nevada's contract lobbyist to AIA SGN events to better understand how to lobby on behalf of Architects and AIA Nevada, with requisite state funding? Should AIA Nevada embark on a more aggressive PAC strategy?

AIA National and almost all AIA State/Local Components are in opposition to Interior Design Practice Acts and, in many cases, Title Acts as well. The State of Nevada has already established an Interior Design Practice Act. Where should AIA Nevada stand relative to changing and updating the State of Nevada's Interior Design Practice Act?

As the AIA SGN printed materials reviewed and discussed are lengthy, I have provided a copy of these materials in paper and Adobe Acrobat format to AIA Northern Nevada and AIA Las Vegas. I hope to also have these materials available on the AIA Nevada website so that every AIA Nevada member can review at their own discretion and learn from the wisdom of our affiliated state chapters. Please do not hesitate to contact the AIA Nevada office if you have questions about these materials or input into these issues.

For more information on the State Government Network Please contact The AIA Las Vegas Chapter @ 702-895-0936.

### USGBC LAS VEGAS REGIONAL CHAPTER ELECTIONS

The USGBC Las Vegas Regional Chapter 2004 Board of Directors Elections is now open for voting. Voting will take place from August 10, 2004 through Sunday, September 12, 2004 at midnight (PST).

You can view and download all the voting information from the website at [www.usgbclv.org](http://www.usgbclv.org) - at the home page click on the Elections tab to take you to the candidate bios and the voting form to cast your vote.

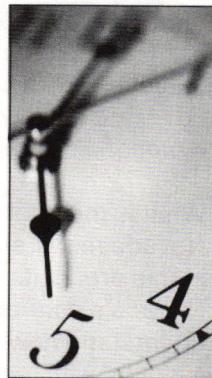
We encourage all local National USGBC members to vote and show support in electing the 2004 Board of Directors.

## IMPENDING REGULATION MAY AFFECT OVERTIME PAY

New federal Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) regulations set to take effect August 23 may require AIA member firms and architects to make changes to help ensure they are properly paying overtime to their employees. The new U.S. Department of Labor rules update which employees, including many "white collar" workers, are exempted from receiving overtime pay at time-and-a-half rates after working more than 40 hours in a week. The rules generally exempt "executive, administrative, and professional employees" from overtime pay requirements under federal law. But, according to the Department of Labor, under the new rules, workers earning less than \$23,660 per year—or \$455 per week—will be entitled to overtime, regardless of the employee's duties or other aspects of pay. Other policy changes include a new streamlined "highly compensated" employee test for certain workers earning at least \$100,000 in a year, who will be exempt if they meet specified pay and duty requirements. The department has worked to clarify the definitions of the employment classifications and exemptions, particularly the ever-ambiguous "administrative" exemption. The "duties" test can be found on the DOL Web site.

### What does this mean to me and my firm?

"The potential liability is great, and we always urge caution when making exemption decisions," says Laura Viehmyer, SPHR, CEBS, CAE, the AIA national component's managing director of human resources. There are different ways to confirm that practices are complying with the new regulations, she says. One method would be for managers to audit their employment rolls by evaluating employee job descriptions and the percentages of time devoted to particular duties against those criteria in a checklist of the new requirements. But she cautions that general job descriptions alone are not necessarily indicative of a particular classification. For example, she says, the title "intern" in one firm might mean something completely different in another firm. The titles and job descriptions may even vary among offices in the same firm. For some positions the exemption determination may be relatively easy, but, when in doubt, it behooves the employer to take extra care to make sure they get things right. "There are many positions at the cusp of eligibility for overtime or for losing overtime benefits," Viehmyer advises. "The process requires a lot of due diligence to determine how a position should be classified." This is the first time the rules have been updated in decades and Congress still may seek to block their implementation.

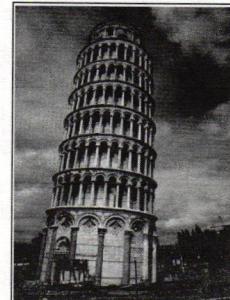


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## SF 330 GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS CAN NOW BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY

Architects and engineers can now submit Part II of the Standard Form 330 (SF330) electronically to the federal government through the government's Business Partner Network (BPN). The SF330, which architects and engineers use to present their qualifications and experience when seeking federal projects, replaced SFs 254 and 255 in June 2004 and emphasizes qualifications-based selection for the procurement of A/E services. The form has two parts: Part I for Contract-Specific Qualifications and Part II for General Qualifications.

To submit Part II electronically, go to the BPN Web site and click on "Vendor" under "ORCA" (Online Representations and Certifications Application) on the left side of the screen. The SF 330 Part II makes up Question 26 in the application; the preceding questions must also be answered. Firms must first have a DUNS number and be registered in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) system, which is also accessible from the BPN Web site. The CCR registration system will also generate a Marketing Partner Identification Number (MPIN) to allow firms access to the application. The information submitted through the application is available to the public in a read-only format.

Submission of general qualifications is voluntary. However, it will increase a firm's visibility in the federal marketplace and may lead to opportunities for contracts that are exempt from public announcement. The information also is used by federal agencies for acquisition planning and market studies.

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## SHOULDN'T THE BEST TEACHER YOU KNOW RECEIVE THE 2005 AIA/CSA TOPAZ MEDALLION?

Nominations are due October 29 for the AIA/ACSA Topaz Medallion for Excellence in Architectural Education. The annual honor is awarded jointly by the AIA and the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture (ACSA) to honor an individual who has made outstanding contributions to architecture education for at least 10 years and whose teaching has influenced a broad range of students. (Nominees must be living at the time of nomination.)



### Who is eligible for nomination?

Any individual who has spent at least a decade primarily involved in architecture education, primarily in North America. In addition, the candidate must:

- Evidence great depth, having a cumulative effect on a long line of students
- Evidence great breadth, having influenced a wide range of students
- Consistently direct himself or herself toward the future as well as the past
- Be able to transcend and build connections among specific areas of expertise
- Be widely known by the quality of his or her products.

### Who can nominate candidates for the awards?

Any colleague, student, or former student may nominate candidates for the Topaz Medallion.

### What is required for submission?

Each submission must contain:

- A nomination letter by the sponsor (not to exceed one page)
- A biography of the candidate (not to exceed two pages)
- A statement of contributions (not to exceed four pages)
- A roster of distinguished students
- Supporting material (e.g., clippings, articles, etc.) relating to the purpose of the award (not to exceed four pages)
- A maximum of 10 letters of support by people who know the quality of the nominee's products, including teachers and practitioners. Letters should be explicit in their recommendation, and contain specific reasons for support, and be no longer than one page.

### What format should the submission take?

All exhibits must be submitted in an AIA uniform binder obtained by contacting Cynthia Smith McCollum, AIA Honors and Awards Department, 202-626-7586 or cmccollum@aia.org.

### When are submissions due?

They must be postmarked no later than **October 29, 2004**.

### Where do I send the submissions?

Send all submissions to the AIA Honors and Awards Department, 1735 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20006-5292, Attention: Topaz Medallion.

### Why should I nominate someone?

Practitioners and educators must work together to help the architects of the future create themselves. It is fitting that members of the AIA and members of ACSA work together to honor the best educators in the profession.

### How do I get more information about the award?

Contact the AIA Honors and Awards Department, 202-626-7586, or go to [www.aia.org/institute/honors](http://www.aia.org/institute/honors).

## TAHITI VILLAGE - A TROPICAL RESORT IN THE DESERT

Wright Engineers, has been retained to provide structural engineering services for the latest themed project by vacation ownership developer, Consolidated Resorts. This 22.5-acre master planned resort recently broke ground on their new venture located on the world famous Las Vegas Strip at Warm Springs.

Carpenter Sellers Architects is providing the architectural design and Martin Harris Construction is the general contractor.

The Tahitian themed timeshare community, known as Tahiti Village, will feature 8 multi-unit residential towers surrounding a lushly landscaped courtyard with swimming pools, hot tub, whirlpools, and a lazy river. Additional recreational amenities include sand volleyball courts, a golf putting green, tennis courts, horseshoe pits, and a reflecting pool with shade cabanas.

## TAP CONFERENCE NEWS

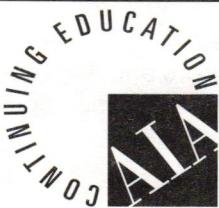
### Connecting the Dots: Understanding the Emerging Digital Building Process

How is the new shared building model changing relationships between architects, builders, and owners? How can architects best position themselves in the critical role of project information manager? What technologies can architects use today, and how can they best prepare themselves to meet the future challenges of the brave new paperless world of design?

The TAP fall conference, to be held October 16-19 in San Francisco, will answer these and many more questions about the future of design, construction, and operations. For full program details, go to

[www.aia.org/tap/conference/2003](http://www.aia.org/tap/conference/2003).

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October 28, 2004

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November 11, 2004

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December 2, 2004

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Please RSVP to Kelly Lavigne at 895-0936. AIA C.E. Luncheons are normally scheduled for the fourth Thursday of each month.

## KEEPING PACE WITH THE CHANGING ECONOMY

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The highlight of the conference will be the presentation of the McGraw-Hill Construction 2005 *Construction Outlook*, authored by Robert Murray, vice president of Economic Affairs for McGraw-Hill Construction. The *Construction Outlook* has become a mainstay of business planning for construction and manufacturing industry executives.

Kermit Baker, **chief economist for The American Institute of Architects (AIA)** will discuss construction trends from the architects' perspective.

David Wyss, **chief economist for Standard & Poor's**, will provide additional insight into U.S. and global economic trends that will impact the construction industry in 2005.

Special guest will be **Mark Shields**, syndicated columnist and Moderator for CNN's The Capital Gang. Mark will share first-hand accounts and impressions of the current state of Washington politics.

Mark your calendar and register now for a program that will give you the information you need to plan for business success in the year 2005 and beyond. Take this opportunity to register early to receive a registration discount, as well as to guarantee your seat at this industry-standard event.

#### TO REGISTER:

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This is your AIA Nevada website. You will want to check for updates new legislation and issues that affect the profession, and possibly need your attention or action. This is also where you'll find information on the 2003 AIA Nevada Excellence In Design and Distinguished Service Awards program, and links to all vital AIA resources.

### aiawmr.org

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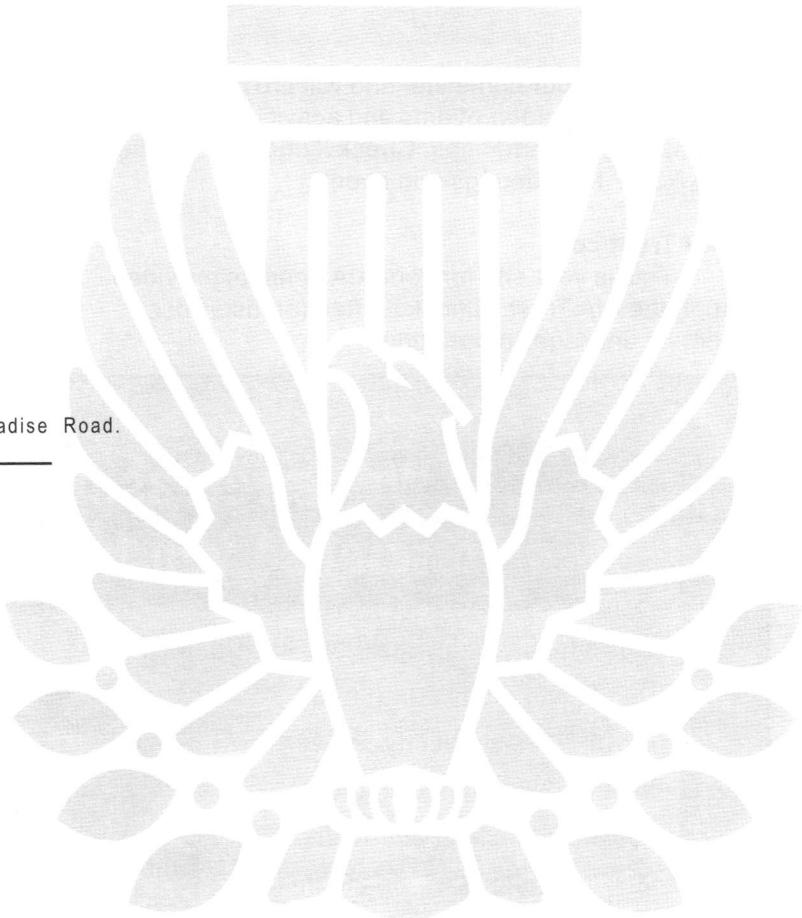
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